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ELISABETHVILLE: BELGIAN TOWN IN AN ENGLISH COUNTY



The village has its "high" street, with a long line of shops, where all sorts of commodities are offered for sale to the inhabitants. In the foreground a Belgian officer is seen chatting to an English policeman.



The village priest, M. Verpoorten.

OFF ON A DIPLOMATIC MISSION.



Vorovski, the Russian Bolshevik Minister in Stockholm, embarks on a Swedish destroyer in order to go to Aaland. The Swedish Government has asked him to arbitrate between the Russian soldiers there and the population.

RESULT OF THREAT.



Lieutenant Scholtz.



Lieutenant Wookey.

These two airmen have been released from prison after having been sentenced to ten years' penal servitude for dropping propagandist pamphlets over the German lines. British reprisals had been threatened, and were to have been put into effect to-day.

"Somewhere in England" there is a Belgian town of some 7,000 inhabitants, who are employed in making shells for the Army. It is named Elisabethville, after the Queen of the Belgians, and contains a church, school and hospital.—(Exclusive to *The Daily Mirror*.)

LORD READING IN AMERICA.



Lord Reading (right), with Mr. Lansing, Secretary of State, starting for the White House to present to President Wilson his credentials as British Special Ambassador.



## OUR GREAT POTATO PRIZE SCHEME.

Full Details of "Daily Mirror's" Plan.

### A CHANCE FOR ALL.

We are able to publish to-day the further details of *The Daily Mirror's* £750 potato prize scheme, which are so eagerly awaited by hundreds of thousands of enthusiastic amateurs in all parts of the country.

It is unanimously agreed that no better contribution can be made to the food resources of the family and of the nation than a super-abundance of potatoes.

Our prize scheme, despite the many technical difficulties and objections to be overcome, has been formulated on broad lines, to give every competitor a fair chance of winning a prize—the first prize of £500 just as much as one of the thirteen prizes of £5 each.

And whether you cultivate two square yards or two acres, your chances of winning are equal. A little boy or girl may carry off the £500 prize.

#### COMPETITION CONDITIONS.

These are the rules of the competition:—

**OBJECT.**—To help to win the war by stimulating a tremendous increase in the cultivation of potatoes throughout the country.

**CONDITIONS.**—The competition is open to cultivators of allotments and private, cottage and school gardens of big or small areas.

It is confined to amateurs—adults or children—who cultivate their land without professional assistance. All professional gardeners, including market gardeners, and all nurserymen and their skilled employees as well as farmers are excluded.

Exhibits are to consist of five potatoes of the same variety and crop belonging either to the First, Early, Second Early, or Maincrop, grown in 1918. They must be grown and selected in the presence of two independent witnesses and must be sent in for judging during the month of October to centres which will be announced later. The witnesses must not be related to the competitor nor interested in any way in the competition.

The potatoes to be sent are to be packed in a box and accompanied by a coupon (to be published in *The Daily Mirror* later) containing the full name, address and occupation of the grower, the name of the variety and crop, location of the ground cultivated, nature of the soil, area of plot occupied by the crop and the total yield obtained therefrom.

The said coupon, after being filled up by the competitor, must be duly counter-signed by the two witnesses and the box or package sealed by them and forwarded to the centre to be specified later. Only one entry is allowed to each competitor.

**ADJUDICATION.**—The exhibits, in the first instance, will be examined and adjudicated upon at certain local centres in the counties of England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland, and shall hereafter be decided and announced, and such as are considered of sufficient merit to be forwarded to the final conditions, will be forwarded to London for final judgment by a body of experts.

#### BASIS OF THE AWARDS.

The awards in each case will be made by considerations on the following basis:—

a. The uniformity of size, quality and absence of disease. Eyes of the potato must be few and shallow and skin clear and fresh.

b. The soil, position and district in which the potatoes were grown must be taken into account.

c. The entire yield of the crop grown on the area cultivated.

**THE £750 IN PRIZES.**—The prizes which *The Daily Mirror* offers are as follows:—

First Prize ..... £500 Fourth Prize ..... £25  
Second Prize ..... £100 Fifth Prize ..... £10  
Third Prize ..... £50 And 13 Prizes of ..... £5

**FINAL DECISION.**—The prizes which, in the opinion of the judges, fall to comply with the foregoing conditions will be debared from winning a prize.

In the event of dispute the opinion of the Editor of *The Daily Mirror* is to be final and binding, and all competitors must enter the competition strictly on this understanding.

*The Daily Mirror* cannot undertake any private correspondence about the scheme, and under no circumstances must exhibits be sent to *The Daily Mirror* Offices.

Grow all you can on every square inch of ground that is yours, and if you grow more than you need for your household, Lord Rhonda will purchase your surplus crop at a good price.

## THE 'COMB' AND THE MINE

Sir A. Geddes Explains Why It Is Necessary to Get 50,000 Men.

The Miners' Federation yesterday issued a communication addressed to them by the Ministry of National Service.

Sir Auckland Geddes explains that the proposed scheme of recruitment of 50,000 men will accelerate the return to the mines of men who have already done several years' service with the colours. (Until the 50,000 men are recruited it will be impossible for the Army Council to release any pre-war miners.)

The letter states that the national emergency and the vital and immediate demand for recruits make it necessary that the steps indicated in this letter shall be taken.

### PRINCE ALBERT'S FLIGHT.

Prince Albert, who spent the week-end at Buckingham Palace, returned yesterday to his duties at a naval air station.

It is understood that, since he exchanged his naval duties for those of the aircraft service on account of ill-health, he has made a successful in the new branch and has made a successful flight.

## "ONLY HOT COFFEE."

"Break Every Law for Shipwrecked Men," Says Coroner.

### FOOD RESTRICTION HARSHSHIP.

"I would break all the laws of the land for shipwrecked men."

Thus exclaimed the West Hartlepool coroner yesterday at an inquest when it was stated that owing to food restrictions survivors of a vessel could only be served with hot coffee at the hotel to which they were taken.

The town clerk undertook that there should be no difficulty of this kind another time.

The inquest concerned the fate of a second engineer and a chief officer, belonging to Sunderland and London respectively, both of whom died at sea.

## 'CRUELLEST PROSECUTION'

Pilot Acquitted of Stealing from Grahame White Aviation Co.

A young aviation pilot, Frank Clement Meering, and Charles Martin, an employee of the Grahame White Aviation Co., Ltd., were acquitted at Middlesex Sessions yesterday of stealing a quantity of aeroplane parts.

Mr. Holman Gregory described it as one of the cruellest prosecutions which had taken place.

When seventeen Meering was arrested by the firm, and was now filling up his time before joining the Army in training pilots. He had invented an aeroplane which it was believed would be faster than any yet invented.

The detective who arrested Meering said that accused had a receipt on him for £11 18s, and that next morning his father brought another for £11 6s.

Meering in evidence, said he had taught scores of officers now flying at the front. He understood that he could purchase from Martin, and had always been ready to pay whenever Martin told him the amount.

Mr. Montagu Sharpe, in discharging the accused, said he was very sorry that Meering had been led upon to undergo this trial. He had invented an aeroplane which it was believed would be faster than any yet invented.

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## "UNWORTHY PACIFISTS."

Mr. Kellaway Says They Should Be Excluded from Humanity.

Mr. F. G. Kellaway, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Munitions, speaking last night at the Lewisham tank, said the Hun had copied the tank. He was producing them by the hundred.

But we were producing them faster. "Before the German tanks got to Paris the British tanks will have romped through the Hindenburg line," added Mr. Kellaway.

There was one character which the rough sense of the average man regarded as the most mischievous in our midst. This character was the conscientious objector and the pacifist. These were men who, in the last resort, loved their lives better than their principles—they longed for peace but they were not prepared to fight for it.

By common consent of civilised opinion, men of this sort were excluded from the body of humanity. They stood apart, unworthy to share in the common life.

## HUNS' DESIRE TO KILL.

Foe Airman Says Raids Are to Destroy Cities and Citizens.

A German airman taken prisoner by the Italians, in a candid confession regarding German raids on undefended cities, declares they do not seek to do military damage, says a Central News Rome message. He adds:—

"When we bombard a city it is the city itself we wish to destroy and the citizens themselves we wish to hit. Our purpose is to break down the resistance of the enemy countries, to weaken the spirits of the public, and compel a general longing for peace."

**Air Raid Tragedies.**—At an inquest in a London suburb yesterday eight victims of the starlight air raid, it was stated that one man, passing through London, had expressed a wish to see a raid, and was looking out of a window when a bomb splinter killed him.

The next three cases concerned a family named Hulse, father, mother and son being killed by a bomb which fell on their house and caused it to collapse.

Funeral notices were returned, a rider being added in favour of maroons after midnight.

## COAL RATION TO BE REDUCED.

Although it is contemplated reducing the household's supply of coal, in some instances, the reduction will only be slight.

Some householders are getting in far more than they need, said an official of the Coal Controller's Office yesterday. Consequently, we can contemplate reducing the ration a little, but there is not the slightest reason why anyone should be worried. Instead of the rationing period being begun in May it will be in force from April to April. This will enable people to lay in the winter's stock during the summer.

## MILLIONS 'SAVED.'

Select Committee's Criticisms of Ministry of Munitions.

### REMARKABLE REVELATIONS.

The financial methods of the Ministry of Munitions are severely criticised in a report of a Select Committee on national expenditure issued yesterday.

In the case of cordite alone, says the report, £3,000,000 was saved through the reduction of prices following accountants' investigations.

As an instance of lack of co-operation the following is quoted:—

A company making aeroplane engines obtained permission on the urgent representation of the Supply Branch for the erection of a forging shop, costing with the equipment £35,000.

When the building had been partly erected, it had to be abandoned because the officer controlling the supply of the plant refused to furnish it.

It is claimed that the reductions in the contract prices of gun ammunition following technical investigations of costs and experience gained in national factories have resulted in savings of £35,000,000 during the two years from September, 1915.

## LONDON WINS.

The Capital Raises £75,069,188 in a Week for War Bonds.

"So far as can be estimated, London has achieved her part, which was to get an amount of money greater than the whole of the rest of the country put together," said an official of the National War Savings Committee yesterday, in summarising the results of Business Men's Week.

"It was a magnificent success. The total amount for London and the country will be announced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in the House of Commons about the middle of the week."

The total last week War Bonds amounting to £74,578,547 and Savings Certificates of a value of £490,641, a total, excluding Post Office sales, for the six days of £75,069,188.

The London tanks yesterday collected £947,988. Battersea headed the list with £288,339, the other totals being Lewisham £245,078, Islington £204,750, Tottenham £121,707 and Wilsden £90,114.

## GODDARD'S VICTORY.

Sergeant Rolph Beaten in Seventh Round at the Ring.

There was a record crowd at the Ring yesterday afternoon, when Trooper Frank Goddard (Royal Horse Guards) defeated Sergeant Harold Rolph, of the Canadian Forces. Rolph's seconds gave up at the end of the seventh round.

Seldom has so much interest been aroused in a boxing match since the outbreak of the war, and the house was packed with khaki, the spectators including a large number of generals and other high officials.

Rolph showed perhaps the superior skill and any amount of pluck, but he was outwitted by a man of stronger stamina. Once in the fifth round he seemed to be in a dramatic chance of the Canadian proving successful.

But the fight died away, and by the end of the seventh round Goddard had his man at his mercy.

## CHEAPER FISH?

Ministry of Food Engaged on Scheme to Control Prices.

In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Clynes said that a scheme for the control of fish prices through all the intermediate stages was now being worked out.

**Amended Meat Rations.**—Mr. Clynes also said he hoped this week to issue an amended table of equivalent weights for meat.

**Restaurant Prices.**—Mr. Clynes informed Major Newman that reports had been received by the Food Controller as to restaurant prices.

Mr. Will Thorne: Is the hon. gentleman aware that restaurant keepers are grabbing up all the fish, and that in the East End of London there is very little going?

Mr. Clynes: Any condition of that kind would come within the control of Food Survey Board.

**Ice Cream.**—Lord Rhonda has consented to receive a deputation, representing 70,000 ice-cream manufacturers, who will ask for permission to make 25 per cent. of their usual output.

## DYNAMITE IN CART WHEEL.

Sergeant Matheson, addressing the Queen's County grand jury yesterday, said he regretted to say that there was a good deal of crime, in the county.

At last few days there had been such a serious matter as a dynamite explosion. Fortunately no mischief had been done, but that was not the fault of those who perpetrated the crime.

Dynamite, or some high explosive, was put into a cart wheel and exploded.

## PRIME MINISTER AND THE PRESS.

Mr. Lloyd George's Reply to the Critics.

### LORD KITCHENER'S "K.G."

Mr. Lloyd George, in the House of Commons yesterday, replying to Mr. Austen Chamberlain, made a statement regarding relations of the Press and the Government.

There were two Ministers, he said, who when they joined the Government had control of newspapers—Lord Rothermere and Lord Beaverbrook. Viscount Northcliffe held no Ministerial office.

In every great Allied country, he said, there were journalists and newspaper proprietors holding high office.

If it were suggested that owners or editors of newspapers were disqualified, by reason of their ownership or profession, from holding Ministerial positions in this country, he must challenge that contention.

### LORD ROTHERMERE'S WORK.

As soon as Lord Rothermere and Lord Beaverbrook were appointed they gave up all direction of their newspapers. As to their fitness for their offices, they were both men of exceptional ability.

Lord Rothermere had already organised one important department of the War Office which had been previously criticised, and Lord Rothermere's administration of that department, according to the testimony of the Secretary of State, had been an unqualified success.

Lord Beaverbrook had as a result of the Canadian Government, organised Canadian propaganda, which was acknowledged to be most successful—perhaps the most successful piece of work of this kind on the Allied side.

Viscount Northcliffe was one of the hundreds of great business men who in this great national emergency had voluntarily and gratuitously given their services to the State in matters for which their experience specially qualified them. Viscount Northcliffe had made a special study of conditions in enemy countries, and the Government were grateful to him for undertaking the work.

The Premier said his one object was to secure the men who in his judgment were best qualified.

As to the suggestion that any official of his staff inspired the attacks on admirals or generals he had no hesitation in saying, after investigation, that it was without foundation.

### "A MAN OF GENIUS."

He (Mr. Lloyd George) thought Mr. Asquith suffered from too great a respect for new paper men. He shrank from being told he was picking a political supporter.

That was a mistake. The Government sometimes organised violent prejudices.

Lord Northcliffe excited violent prejudices. Men of great personality generally did, but from the point of view of news organisation he was a man of genius, one of the greatest news organisers in the world.

Lord Beaverbrook got behind the War Office objection to publish the names of units doing good work in the field, and he used the cinema or film for spreading the news of Canadian valour in America without cost to the Government, while our similar propaganda at home cost—he preferred not to say how much.

### KITCHENER'S RETORT.

Mr. Asquith deplored the attacks, organised with great assiduity, on particular individuals. When Lord Kitchener was attacked he (Mr. Asquith) advised the King to take the first opportunity to visit the front.

Lord Kitchener was very thick-skinned, and his humorous retort, when those Press attacks were mentioned, was to say, "Why should I owe a grudge to So-and-So?"—mentioning a well-known name—"he gave me the Garter."

## NEWS ITEMS.

**Another Liberal Whip.**—Sir Arthur Marshall, K.B.E., M.P., has been appointed as an additional Liberal Whip.

**Lady Russell Dead.**—Lady Russell of Killowen, widow of the Lord Chief Justice of England, has died in her eighty-second year.

**Budget After Easter.**—Mr. Bonar Law told the House of Commons yesterday that he hoped to introduce the Budget as soon as possible after Easter.

**Lord Pirrie and Shipping Output.**—Lord Pirrie saw the First Lord of the Admiralty yesterday with reference to the alleged failure of the shipping output.

**War National Betting.**—8 to 1 Ballymacard, 10 to 1 Posthill, 10 to 15 Westridge, 9 to 1 Ally Sloper, 10 to 9 Chang, 20 to 1 Bernera, 25 to 1 Captain Dreyfus, Tophole and Vermouth.

**More Poisoned Sweets.**—Kent mayors warn parents against a stranger who is giving poisoned sweets to children, several of whom have been admitted to hospital.

**£1,000 Coal-Gas Prize.**—A prize of £1,000 is offered by the Automobile Association for the best invention enabling coal gas to be used to drive motor-cars and motor-cycles.

**Captain Redmond for Waterford.**—Captain Redmond, M.P., will stand for Waterford City in the forthcoming election. His father, the late candidate will be Dr. White, a Waterford man.



# AIR RAID ON NAPLES—TURKS' EUPHRATES RETREAT

**Our Naval Airmen Who Bombed Engel Dump Downed Seven Machines.**

**BIG DUEL OF GUNS TO MOUTH OF YPRES.**

**German Airman Bluntly Admits Raids Are Made on Civilians—French Stop Two Verdun Blows.**

**Naples Bombed.**—Naples was bombed yesterday morning. The raid means a cross-Adriatic and cross-Italy enemy flight of 220 miles.

**Turks' Euphrates Retreat.**—General Sir W. R. Marshal reports that the Turks on the Euphrates (Mesopotamia) have retreated twenty-two miles from Hit and have lost heavily as the result of air attacks.

**Western Front.**—The British report considerable gunfire south-east of Arrmentieres; the French have repulsed two German blows; Berlin asserts that there is "a signalling station on Rheims Cathedral," which tale presumably foreshadows Hun intentions of shelling it again.

**FRENCH REPEL BIG BLOWS BY PICKED HUN TROOPS.**

**British Take Prisoners and Two Machine Guns.**

**DARING AMERICAN RAID.**

**FRENCH OFFICIAL.**

**Monday Afternoon.**—North of the Aisne we carried out two coups de main in the region of Fresnes and to the north of Courtecon.

In Champagne the enemy attempted to reach our lines in the neighbourhood of the St. Hilaire-St. Soufflet road. He was repulsed by our counter-attack and left some prisoners in our hands.

On the left bank of the Meuse, after a violent bombardment, a double attack in which special assaulting troops participated was conducted against our positions on the Oie Hill and the Mort Homme. The assailants were everywhere repulsed.

On the right bank there was a lively artillery action in the Caucieres Wood. To the north of St. Mihiel we dispersed a strong enemy group which from Seuzey sought to gain a footing in our trenches. The American troops in Lorraine carried out a daring raid on the German lines.—*Reuter.*

**BRITISH OFFICIAL.**

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, Monday.**  
**9.0 A.M.**—A successful raid, in which several of the enemy were killed or taken prisoner and two machine guns were captured, was carried out by us last night south of St. Quentin.

A party of the enemy which approached our lines north-west of La Bassée was driven off by artillery and machine-gun fire. There has been considerable artillery activity on both sides early this morning south-east of Arrmentieres.

**HUN TALE OF SIGNAL POST ON RHEIMS CATHEDRAL.**

**"Frequently Observed and Again in Action," Says Berlin.**

**GERMAN OFFICIAL.**

**Monday Afternoon (Western Front).**—The artillery and minnowthrower activity frequently revived in the evening.

The lively reconnoitring activity continued. Our own detachments at several points penetrated into the enemy trenches on the Flanders front, in the region of Arrmentieres, and on the western bank of Meuse, and brought back prisoners and machine guns.

During a German operation to the north-east of Rheims a French signalling post, which has frequently been observed, and which is constructed on the cathedral of Rheims, again came into action.—*Admiralty per Wireless Press.*

**OUR RAID ON STUTTGART.**

**PARIS, Monday.**—The expert French commentator, writing last night, says:—

As reprisals for the last raid on Paris (in which thirteen persons were killed and fifty injured), French and British airmen dropped thousands of kilogrammes weight of projectiles on military objectives in the rear of the German lines, while British airmen bombed the Daimler Works at Stuttgart, the important city of Wurtemberg, which has a population of 150,000 inhabitants and lies about 125 miles (as the crow flies) from Nancy.—*Reuter.*

Deputy Abel Ferry, writing in the *Petit Journal*, suggests that France should follow the German plan and place Hun prisoners of war in places likely to be bombed in air raids on Paris.

**TURKS PEPPERED BY OUR AIRMEN'S MACHINE GUNS.**

**Heavy Casualties in Mesopotamia.—Foe 22 Miles Beyond Hit.**

**BRITISH OFFICIAL.**

The Turkish garrison of Hit has continued its retirement and has now occupied Khan Bagdadi, on the Euphrates, twenty-two miles above Hit.

During their retreat the Turks were attacked by our aeroplanes with bombs and machine-gun fire at heights varying from 2,500ft. to under 100ft., and heavy casualties were inflicted on them.

**"BRITISH STILL HOLD THE INITIATIVE IN THE WEST."**

**U.S. on Huns' Principal Axes of Activity at Rheims and Alsace.**

In its weekly review, the United States War Department, quoted by a Reuter Washington message, says:—

Notwithstanding the diversions of the minor campaigns in Mesopotamia, Palestine and the Balkans, the key positions of the war are still in France and Flanders, and here the strategic situation remains relatively constant.

The enemy is completing the redistribution of his available forces; and nothing in the situation should lead us to estimate that the Germans have abandoned the plan of a major offensive in the west.

In considering the tactical dispositions we note that the enemy has developed two principal axes of activity, one pivoting upon Rheims and the other on the Alsace front on Lunéville. The Allies, while assuming an alert offensive, are resting content with allowing the enemy to break the strength of his assaults against their impregnable lines.

The review briefly summarises the operations of the Americans, and says that the Germans are making preparations in the Toul sector (held by the Americans), apparently with a view to undertaking more extensive operations.

The British continue to hold the initiative on the British front, and they have driven forward a series of successful minor raids along the Ypres salient, as well as at many points further south. The Australians have carried out very successful reconnaissances.

**HUN DESIGNS ON PERSIA.**

**AMSTERDAM, Monday.**—The *Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* says that the German Persian Society held a meeting in Berlin in honour of the Persian parliamentarians who are visiting the city.

Herr Nadolny, Councillor of Legation at Teheran, in the course of a speech, threw out some hints regarding Germany's policy in the Near East.

He said, inter alia: "After the Russian wall north of Persia has been burst, we may hope also that the English wall in the south will be broken through, and that German labour will succeed in penetrating through the breach, thus contributing to the prosperous development of Persia."—*Reuter.*

**7 HUNPLANES DOWNED.**

**ADMIRALTY OFFICIAL.**

A bombing raid was carried out by naval aircraft on Engel Aerodrome and Engel Dump, two fires being started.

In aerial fighting three enemy aircraft were destroyed and four driven down out of control. All our machines returned safely.



Naples, for the first time in the war, was bombed by enemy airmen yesterday. The nearest Austrian base is Cattaro, and the distance from there to Naples is about 220 miles.

**HUNS BOMB RESIDENTIAL QUARTERS IN NAPLES.**

**7 Killed in Little Sisters' Hospital, Which Was Hit.**

**20 BOMBS AT 1 A.M.**

**Rome, Monday.**—Naples was the object of an air raid about one o'clock this morning.

About twenty bombs in all were dropped on the city, almost all of them being on the residential quarter, thus causing no damage of a military nature.

There were several victims amongst the civil population.

A bomb which dropped on the hospital of the Little Sisters, near Arco Mirelli, claimed seven victims amongst those sheltering there. *Reuter.*

**ITALIAN OFFICIAL.**

From the Stelvio to the Dards there were intermittent actions of the artillery.

Groups of enemies were dispersed in the Valley of the Vermigliana (Val di Sole), at the east of the Adamello, and in the region of the Tonale.

From the Darda to the Piave there was harassing fire, more frequent on the Asiago Plateau and on the left side of the Brenta.

South of Nago hostile patrols were put to flight.

Along the Piave there was noticeable reciprocal fire activity.

On the river's bank opposite Zenson our machine guns fired upon hostile parties.

During the day our aeroplanes bombarded enemy's aviation grounds. Other camps were bombed in the night by five airships. In all seven tons of bombs were dropped.

"We do not know," said the German airman, "brought down two hostile machines."

**"TO DESTROY CITIES AND TO KILL CITIZENS."**

**Foe Airman Admits Desire for Murder, Not Military Damage.**

A German airman taken prisoner by the Italians has made a candid confession regarding German raids on undefended cities, says the Central News correspondent at Rome.

"We do not know," said the German airman, "and we do not seek to know where Staff Headquarters are or where the great military depots of our enemies are."

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**LESSONS FROM NAPOLEON.**

**PARIS, Monday.**—General Verraux writes in the *Oeuvre*:—

"The dispersion of our adversaries' efforts has for special object the dispersion likewise of our means of resistance by keeping us everywhere on the alert."

By holding us up at so many points they are, after all, only acting on the great Napoleonic principle which has always been recognised in Germany since the days of Clausewitz, Willisen and Moltke, and which consists in first fixing one's adversary's attention along his entire front and then scoring heavily by suddenly launching the bulk of one's forces at a fixed point.—*Exchange.*

**THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE PRESS.**

**Mr. Lloyd George Makes a Commons Statement.**

**A RETORT TO CHEERS.**

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The rule which applied to company directors joining the Government must be applicable also to newspaper men.

**A SNUB FOR PACIFIST M.P.s.**

**Mr. Austen Chamberlain, in his speech, raised the question of the uneasiness and suspicion engendered by the new connection—as it seemed to many of them—in which had been established between the present Government and the Press.**

It was said that the House of Commons no longer exercised the same authority in the country, which previous Houses of Commons had possessed.

But if the House of Commons had suffered, so had the Press. The confidence which the public placed in the Press had been gravely and seriously diminished by the attacks, for which a section of that Press had been responsible.

Mr. Chamberlain was proceeding, when he was interrupted by cheers from the pacifist section of the House.

Mr. Chamberlain: I am not grateful for that interruption. I am not actuated by the same motive as are my remarks. (Hear, hear.)

"I am anxious to assist the Government in carrying the war to a successful conclusion, and when hon. members who cheered can say the same (hear, hear)—then, and only then, shall I desire their cheers."

**JAPAN AND SIBERIA.**

**Mr. Balfour, in the Commons yesterday, stated that his Majesty's Government had no information to the effect that Japanese forces had arrived in Siberia.**

Sir H. Dalziel: May we take it that the Foreign Secretary is in favour of the policy of intervention?

Mr. Balfour: I am afraid I can make no statement on the subject.

Mr. Hogge: Can the right hon. gentleman say when the Government are likely to be able to give the House any information with regard to the proposed intervention of Japan?

Mr. Balfour: I am afraid I cannot give a date.

**Pekin, Monday.**—Tokio reports say that an important pronouncement is expected early.

The bulk of the opposition to Japan's immediate action is entirely political, the Menseki Party fearing that action in Siberia will prolong the life of the Terauchi Cabinet.

A proclamation by way of an Asiatic Monroe Doctrine is foreshadowed.—*Exchange.*

**HUN ICE-BREAKER SUNK.**

**STOCKHOLM (received yesterday).**—The newspaper *Aftonbladet* states that the German ice-breaker *Hindenburg*, one of the two ice-breakers that escorted the German expedition to the Anland Islands, struck a mine on Saturday evening at the head of the islands and sank in seven minutes. Three men were killed and five wounded. The second ice-breaker, *Marie Ham*, has also been mined and sunk.—*Reuter.*

**German Official (Russian Front).**—Enemy bands were dispersed at Bachmatsch (north-east of Kieff) and near Rasdjelnia (on the Simerik-Odessa railway).—*Admiralty per Wireless Press.*

**MR. BAKER IN PARIS.**

**PARIS, Monday.**—Mr. Baker, accompanied by General Pershing, called this morning on M. Clemenceau and Mr. Sharp, the United States Ambassador.—*Reuter.*



## TWO WAR HEROES



2nd Lt. David Craig, Machine Gun Guards, who has been presented with the D.S.O. for valour in action.



2nd Lt. D. P. O'Shea was recommended for the V.C. for a brilliant exploit, in which he lost his life. He was only nineteen.

## BLIND BASKET-MAKERS.



Blind instructors at St. Dunstan's are pushing on their pupils to increase the supply of baskets, of which there is a shortage.



**VICTIM.**—Mr. J. G. Bull, senior Marconi operator, victim of the Glenart Castle, who had been twice torpedoed on that boat.



**DOUBLE HONOURS.**—Regmt. Sgt.-Maj. C. Hyman, Warwick Regiment, awarded the M.M. and Belgian Croix de Guerre.

## 'GROW POTATOES'—ONE WAY OF WINNING THE WAR



A small child at work on her potato patch.



Preparing the land for potatoes with the plough.

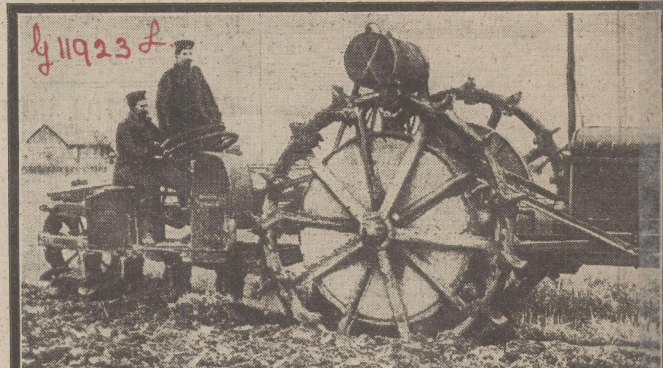
The Daily Mirror is offering a prize of £500 for five fine potatoes. Competitors are already setting to work to win it in all parts of the country, and the task of selecting the best promises to be a difficult one.

## APPEAL FROM A HEIGHT.



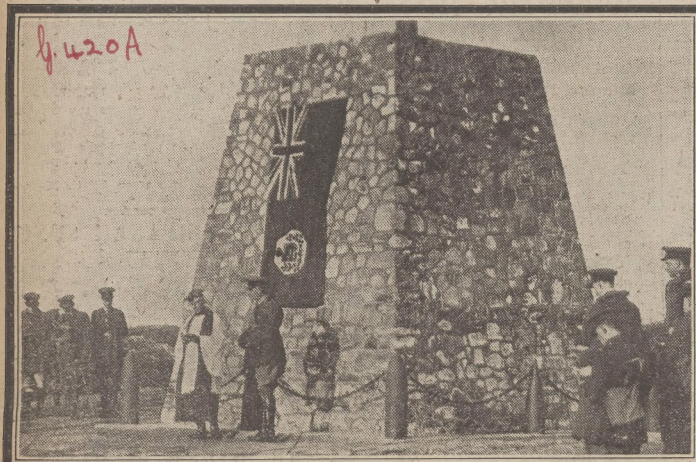
An emergency driver of Chicago has climbed far out on the edge of this building to nail up the poster.

## STRANGERS PLOUGH THE FIELDS FRANCE TILLED.



German soldiers, under the supervision of Pomeranian landowners (how officers of reserve), tilling the fields by means of a motor plough some distance behind the lines.

## TO THE CANADIANS WHO FELL AT VIMY RIDGE.



A general view of the ceremony before the unveiling of the memorial erected by the Canadian Artillery to the Artillerymen who fell during the taking of Vimy Ridge. Canon Scott opening the ceremony with a hymn.—(Canadian official photograph.)

## A BUSY BANK IS THE CATFORD TANK.



The local tank at Catford began its duties yesterday. Immediately after its arrival at the town hall a large crowd collected, most of whose members seemed anxious to invest their money without delay.



# WAR WORK.



Miss Eclair, daughter-in-law of the Earl of Reading, the Chief Justice, who has been energetic war worker since the commencement of the war.

# "MUNITIONETTES" AT PLAY.



A football match was played between the girl workers at two munition factories in the north of England. Just before the kick off. (Exclusive to The Daily Mirror.)

# FAIR LIFE-SAVERS.



At the American resorts on the Pacific coast the places of the male lifeguards who patrol the beaches are now taken by women.

# ITALIAN WAITERS AS THEATRICAL PLAYERS.



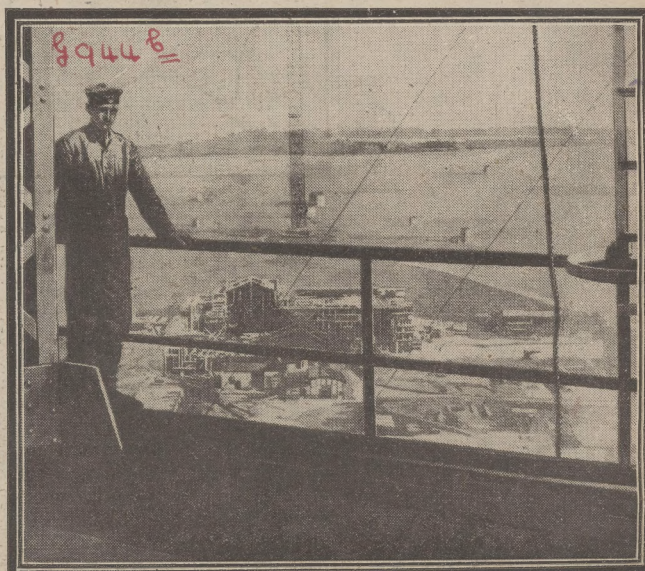
from "Romanticismo," which is to be given in Italian at the Court Theatre to-day in aid of Italian Hospital and the Queen's Hospital at Fognal. The cast is mainly composed of Italian waiters in West End restaurants. (Daily Mirror photograph.)

# "MENTIONED."



The Countess of Essex, who has been "mentioned" for valuable services in connection with nursing. She is an ardent and energetic war worker.

# WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY AT A GERMAN STATION.



The station of the Wireless Telegraph Society at Nauen, in Germany, is able to send and receive telegrams over a distance of 10,000 miles. Our photograph shows an aspect of the southern tower, which measures 260 metres.

# ASYLUM.



Paul Jezzanak, a society novelist in test, has been forcibly taken to a lunatic asylum, fallen in love with a girl of St. Louis.

# BRITISH LABOUR DELEGATES IN U.S.



Left to right: Mr. W. Mosses, Mr. C. Duncan, M.P., Mr. W. A. Appleton and Mr. J. Butterworth, M.P., members of the Labour delegation of Great Britain now on a visit to the United States.



# Daily Mirror

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 1918

## "HANDS OFF FAILURES!"

ONE of the most perplexing paradoxes of the war has been the attitude of those bold true-blue patriots whom we have named "never-sheathe-the-swordians" towards men whose record in *results*—the only record by which to judge in war time—has been, frankly, failure all along.

What ought to be the attitude of a never-sheathe-the-swordian towards failure; military, naval, political, moral, or commercial, in time of war?

Surely and obviously it ought to be realistic, not sentimental. It need not and must not be vindictive. It can take note gratefully of all good work; but if the work be not the best work possible—if clearly it be work acting at last as a drag on operations anywhere—then other, better work must be secured; or we perish. On this difficult, dangerous subject of the dismissal or control of failures in war, what better instance than the classical one of Lincoln, first fairly testing, then firmly getting rid of, McClellan, whose big reputation confronted Lincoln's own relatively small one at the beginning of the Civil War?

Now, if our true-blue never-sheathe-the-swordian Press, oddly supported by our pacifist friends—*Morning Post*, say, supported by *Nation*—were to have that case before them, they would cry, for the space of many days: "Hands off failures! Hands off our dear darling McClellan! Don't swoop horses in mid-stream."

It is odd, we repeat.

But it is explicable?

Certainly it is. These customary foes—pacifist and never-endian—are united by a common hatred: hatred of the Prime Minister and the Government. And the pretence that obvious failures are really big successes helps them to make a case.

Now no Government and no Prime Minister ought to expect freedom from sane criticism. The old Government—after a due trial—got criticism. This Government must expect it. Yesterday it got more of it. This week in the House of Commons, being general-discussion week, will provide plenty of it. But on what grounds? On grounds of incompetence? That would be sane enough. No: not on grounds of incompetence nearly so much as on grounds of dismissing the incompetent!

"Ah," replies the pacifist-cum-never-sheathe-the-swordian, "that is just the point: It is the heroes who are dismissed: the heroes who never fail."

We answer: "A man who succeeded in action in this war would be unshakable. There would be (as Sir Auckland Geddes might say) such a blast of anger at his going that no Government could stand a moment against it. What we have rather to face—viewing the situation in Europe to-day—is the result of failure in action. And to us it seems not a pity that failures go, but that they go too late."

It seems, also, incredible that any one, judging by results, can be inclined to attribute infallibility to many of those who have been tested by action. Why then cannot the never-sheathe-the-swordians be consistent and support only military and naval *successes*? Some pacifists are more reasonable. They support failures because they want the war to fail. That at least is an intelligible point of view!

W. M.

### IN MY GARDEN.

MARCH 11.—It is impossible to cultivate vegetables successfully unless the hoe is persistently used among growing crops from now until the autumn. Directly broad beans, from the first sowing, appear, loosen the ground around the plants during a spell of dry weather. Also run the hoe over the spring cabbage bed.

After the winter rains the soil between the strawberry plants will need carefully stirring.

E. F. T.

### A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Those whom the Eternal approves are the rich who have the humility of the poor, and the poor who have the magnanimity of the rich.—*Saadi*.

# TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

## PREMIER AND PRESS.

Club's Lady Barber—New Honour for General Seely.

I RAMBLED down to Westminster yesterday afternoon and spent an entertaining hour in the House of Commons. It took the Prime Minister little more than five minutes to justify his recent appointments.

Mr. Lloyd George placed clearly before the House the reasons which prompted him to make his selections, and, judging from the emphatic cheers which endorsed his words, the overwhelming majority of M.P.s most heartily approved of his choice.

**My Tips.**—It is many moons since I told you that Mr. H. E. Duke would probably be the new Master of the Rolls. Yesterday I saw that some parliamentary correspondents gave

**For Her Soldiers.**—The Queen spent a long time yesterday afternoon in Grosvenor gardens discussing with the heads of the Needlework Guild the requirements of the coming year and the organising of further efforts. She was in black, with diamond clusters twinkling in her ears.

**Workers All.**—Lady Lawley was, of course, the presiding spirit, and I noticed Lady Halford and the Hon. Mrs. Forbes, who are amongst the hardest workers in this really tremendous task.

**A Chaplain.**—A temporary chaplain is gazetted to the County of London Volunteers. He is none other than Dr. Burge, who is Bishop of Southwark.

**Belgian Orders.**—I notice that the King of the Belgians has honoured with a commandership of the Order of the Crown Sir J. E. B. Seely. "Jack" Seely is a popular man, and

## WHAT PEACE-TIME AIR RAIDS MAY BE LIKE!



A vast airship hovered over London, distributing War Bond advertisements, a day or two ago. The idea was good—for a war purpose. But what about peace time? Will commerce seize upon the air and use it for dropping things from, as shown here?

—(By W. K. Haselden.)

this as "news." I suppose that the official announcement will be along soon.

**New Chief Secretary.**—It is obvious that Mr. Duke cannot lay down the Chief Secretaryship until the Irish Convention has finished its work. It is predicted that Mr. Ian Macpherson, who has made such a success of representing the War Office, will be the new Chief Secretary.

**Club Novelty.**—The lady barber is established in one of the biggest political clubs. I saw her the other day lathering the chins of members with dexterity and dispatch. I wonder what some of the old and crusted members would have said if such a prospect had been held up to them in ante-bellum days.

**Seaman's Candidate.**—That breezy personality, Sir Edward Nicholl, has, I hear, consented to stand for Cardiff as a seaman's candidate. He is very popular with mariners. Like most people who own shipping, he is a wealthy man.

his marriage last year with the Hon. Mrs. Nicholson excited great interest.

**The Empire Theatre, Jerusalem!**—I have just been shown a programme of the Empire Theatre, Jerusalem, where "The Barnabers," made up of London-troops, give performances. The Jerusalem Empire appears to be almost as well equipped with scenery, costumes, "limes" and electricity as its namesake in Leicester-square.

**Brigade-Major.**—I notice the name of Sir Everard Pannecott-Duncombe in the *Gazette*. The baronet, I remember, succeeded his father when he was only ten years old. He was in the diplomatic service for awhile some years ago.

**Misses His Steed.**—When I met the Archbishop of Canterbury in Westminster yesterday I thought he was looking much more robust than of late. His great regret, Dr. Davidson says, is that he has had to give up riding, his favourite exercise.



Mrs. Barker Hahlo, elder daughter of the late Sir R. Beauchamp. Her husband is in the Yeomanry.



Miss L. Troubridge, daughter of Sir Thomas Troubridge, working at Lady Linerick's canvas.

**Summery Bond-street.**—Bond-street in the summery sun was full of pretty women, in silver grey—which seems a favourite colour—with floating grey veils. Miss Madge Saunders I noticed among the crowd of promenaders enjoying the warmth.

**During Lent.**—My tobaccoist tells me that many people, women especially, are smoking less. For one reason it is the fashion to be Spartan and saving, but in any case we are in Lent, and there are scores of his customers who do without their smokes then.

**To Lecture.**—I hear from Miss Winifred Graham that her anti-Mormonism campaign has attracted so much attention in the United States that she has been invited to speak on Mormons and their ways at the third World's Christian Citizen Congress at Pittsburgh. The novelist may give other addresses.

**Shoulder to Shoulder.**—Another English novelist, Miss "Annie S. Swan," is now in the States. Mrs. Burnett Smith, as she is in private life, was lecturing the other day to a mass meeting of American women at a Fifth Avenue Church, and asserted that when America entered the war "Englishwomen felt that everything would be all right."

**Out of Town.**—A house agent informs me that the Easter exodus from London is going to be bigger than ever. "Some people imagine that food tickets will tie people to their own district," he said. "They won't."

**Significant.**—You know what some people are talking about without asking. Coming out of a Tube yesterday, I heard one woman say to another, "All he'd tell me was that it wasn't beef."

**Training as Farmers.**—I hear that serious efforts are being made by the War Office to give wounded officers a training in farm work. Farmers are being invited to teach them, the authorities paying all expenses.

**For the N.L.C.**—Members of the National Liberal Club tell me that they will soon have the pleasure of being "lectured" by Mr. Hall Caine. Also the author of "The Christian" will have a play produced at the Royalty before very long.

**A Fighting Family.**—It did not surprise me to find the name of Commander Geoffrey Mackworth, R.N., among a list of destroyer officers awarded the D.S.O., for the Mackworths have furnished the country with soldiers and sailors for several centuries. Commander Mackworth's brother, Sir Humphrey, is the husband of Lord Rhonda's daughter.

**A Corinthian.**—Congratulations from "soccer" enthusiasts have been pouring in on Lieutenant-Colonel M. Morgan-Owen on his D.S.O. The famous Corinthian was the best amateur who ever represented Wales.

**Schoolboy Soldier.**—I saw Mr. B. E. Baker play a fine innings for Haileybury in the year war broke out. He is now a captain in the Flying Corps and has added a D.S.O. to his Military Cross.

**Sentiment.**—I met Mr. Tom Tyler, who won the Grand National with Sunloch, and he told me he hoped to buy his old favourite back to pension him off. It is a pity to see an Aintree hero in a selling race.

**At the Ring.**—At the Ring yesterday afternoon, while the big boxing match was on I saw Lord Athlumney, Sir Claude De Crespigny, General Pratt, General Hogarth, Commander Norman Craig and the Duke of Manchester. Sergeant Burge was not present, being seriously ill with pneumonia.

**The Mouths of Babies.**—I was in an omnibus in a southern suburb the other day when we overtook a flock of sheep. I was amused to hear a small boy opposite say to his father: "Daddy, how many coupons should we buy to buy one of those?" **THE RAMBLER.**



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# THE SECRET WIFE

By JOHN CARDINAL

## PEOPLE IN THE STORY.

NORA WYNNE, who is secretly married to TONY HERRICK, a clerk in the office of GEORGE SHEFFIELD. Sheffield is in love with Nora, and introduces to her MADGE RUSSELL, an actress, who Nora sees with Tony in a taxi-cab. Later Madge Russell sends Tony two theatre tickets.

## "IT ISN'T TRUE!"

TONY walked up and down his little sitting-room, the letter in his hand.

It was rather nice of Miss Russell to mention this little acknowledgment so quickly, he thought. He remembered how she had pressed him to see the revue the night before, but he had refused. He hadn't wanted to stop, and as a matter of fact, he had been only too pleased to know that his "duty evening" was over when he had left Madge Russell at the stage door, and he had hurried home with the half idea that Nora might have sent a note round to his lodgings—one of those quick little notes it was his habit to get, that he always opened with such a pleasant expectancy of another hurried, stolen meeting!

And then the thought jumped to his mind that perhaps he could persuade Nora to come, and he blessed Madge Russell for sending the tickets. If Nora had been resting all the afternoon she would be lots better by now—unless she were really very bad, of course, she would come. He gave him a good excuse for going round to Heathside again, anyhow!

Tony's depressed spirits felt a magical up-lifting with this splendid expectation. In less than half an hour he was again at the "Wardrobe." This time, when Mary brought the message that he had called, Nora's hesitation was brief. She found that she could not refuse to see Tony again.

Things had got to be faced, she reflected. If she did not see him now, she would not be able to keep on refusing, and it would only make matters worse. Sooner or later she would have to make Tony understand—there would have to be some explanation. Nora was wrestling perplexedly with the difficulties of any explanation, when Tony came quickly into the room.

"Better, old girl?" he asked, with anxious sympathy. "Of course, you must be, or you'd have turned me down again, as you did this afternoon. It beats me why you couldn't see me this afternoon," Tony grumbled. "Nora, I've been worrying like sin about you. How can I let's forget that. You're better now, and that's all that matters. And I'm going to complete the cure."

He thrust a hand into his breast pocket, and Nora watched him wonderingly.

She was quick to see the woman's handwriting on the envelope he triumphantly produced. Tony did not see the line that came to her forehead—did not notice the scornful change in the set of her lips. For Nora saw, too, the printed letter of the Olympic Theatre above the written address.

"Somebody's sent me tickets for the Olympic revue, Tony went on. 'You've got the hump about something or other, and I can see that, and I want taking out of yourself. Slip on your things as quick as you can, and we'll be off!'"

She shook her head determinedly. "No, Tony," she said, and the firm decision of her voice surprised him. "I won't come to the Olympic. I'm not going out at all this evening."

But of course you are, Nora," Tony persisted with a good-humoured laugh. "Hurry up, and we don't want to be late. And, besides, I've got very important news to tell you, Nora; that's why I rushed down this afternoon."

"Tell you I can't come," Nora faced him suddenly, and he was a little wide of colour in her cheeks. "It's impossible. I won't come with you to the Olympic or anywhere else to-night."

"I don't want to come! I can't say it more plainly," protested Tony. "Haag it all. Nora—surely you'll come to please me if I want you to."

"I won't, Tony," she declared finally. "I've told you I won't, and I mean it." In a little space of silence that was worse for Tony than the anger in her voice had been, they faced each other like enemies who had suddenly encountered one another at a turn in the road. A quick knock at the door startled both of them. Tony was near to the door, and opened it. The sound of voices came to them.

"Mr. Sheffield has come," Mary announced, addressing Nora. "Mrs. Wynne told me I was to tell you at once, Miss Nora."

"Now I know why you won't come out with me, Nora!" exclaimed Tony savagely. "It's easy to guess, isn't it? It's because Sheffield's downstairs waiting for you—you wouldn't see me this afternoon, because you are expecting him every minute to come then!"

"No, no!" gasped Nora, half crying. "It isn't true—oh, Tony! How can you say that?"

## "I'M WAITING, TONY!"

"The thoughts flattered through Nora's mind with the swiftness of birds.

So Tony knew... Madge Russell must have seized her opportunity to tell him. Tony's contention and sympathy were all pretence, then; he had come down to upbraid her, to threaten...

"What do you mean by talking to me like that, Tony?" she demanded. Her anger at the attack was only the more evident in the controlled quiet of her voice. "If you say it again—or anything like it—I shall never forgive you. I mean what I say, Tony. It is disgraceful of you to suggest that any woman in my position should—I won't listen to it for a minute."

"Oh, well," Tony grumbled vaguely, "you

(Translation, dramatic and all other rights secured.)

know I'm sorry if I've said anything to hurt you, Nora. You know I wouldn't do that meaningfully. I—"

He paused, driven against the necessity for excuse, and he found himself not finding readily any excuse that seemed powerful enough to make things easier, vaguely trying all the time to force his thoughts to piece together a reason why this quarrel with Nora should start at all.

As if he wanted a quarrel, after all his miserable wandering about of the afternoon! That was the last thing...

"I'm waiting, Tony," Nora told him. In this last moment, watching him, she was aware that she had been quite mistaken, that she had not known. And in her disturbed mind that her quiet manner so wonderfully concealed, Nora did not know whether to be glad or sorry of Tony's ignorance.

"I'm waiting, Tony. You accused me—"

Tony was stung into self-defence. "It looks to me as if you're doing the accusing, Nora," he protested uncomfortably. "You turn on me as though I were some sort of a criminal—and what I've done to deserve that I don't know, and nobody else would know either."

He stopped again, feeling that he had made very little progress. Nora took advantage of his confusion.

"I call it an accusation, Tony, and you're wandering from the point. Please stick to that."

Tony made a step towards her, moved by that eternal illusion which is the prey of a foolish heritage—that if you find yourself quarrelling with the woman you love you have only to show a desire to kiss her and everything will immediately be all right.

He failed with poor Tony, as it has failed with lovers in misfortune countless thousands of times, for Nora stepped back quickly, and her gesture of denial forbade him decreasing even the little space the little space that was such an enormous barrier between them.

Forbade him to dare any attempt to touch her, to kiss her, to stroke her hair, to do any little lover-thing. It exasperated Tony beyond measure. He had charged into a new attack, and he was no answer from Nora. Tony was a fellow would think in my place," he broke out fiercely. "You wouldn't see me this afternoon—"

"I had a headache. I told Mary to tell you so."

Tony snapped his fingers in masterful impatience. "I know you had. How long is it since having a bad headache, and you can't come for a minute or so. Then I get tickets for the Olympic show and rush round here like lightning—you hadn't a headache then, for you told me that your coming was all right. It wasn't because of your headache. You just wouldn't come under any circumstances—you told me so yourself, Nora. You wanted to get rid of me. Am I wrong in thinking that?"

There was no answer from Nora. Tony was too moved to read anything from the disdainful line of her lips.

"You don't say anything, and that shows I'm not equal to you," he said triumphantly. "And wasn't he went on, half triumphantly. "And I thought of you once it was because you were going out with Mr. Sheffield—joining Mr. Wynne in town somewhere, perhaps. Any fellow would think so—eh?"

Nora wasn't looking at him. Her faraway eyes held a little picture of a day that was ended—a picture of Tony in a taxi in Regent-street, looking back over his shoulder.

"I thought so, anyway," Tony admitted frankly, in a burst of what he thought was common and splendid generosity. You say foolish confident Tony, it is. "You weren't, Nora, and I don't know. I imagine in the old man-way that that was only the uncomfortable beginning could be already merged, merely by loud assertion, into the happy end. "I'm no end sorry for my mistake! So thank goodness, Nora, there's nothing to quarrel about. Is there now?"

Tony looked up with the expectant hope of seeing Nora's smile, but her face remained set. "I'm not quarrelling with you," she declared.

Faithfully mystified, he blundered on, tapping the breast pocket which contained the tickets for the theatre.

"Are your people entertaining Mr. Sheffield for long? I mean, will he be stopping to dinner?"

"I don't know," Nora answered listlessly. "I didn't even know he was coming."

"Don't rub it in, Nora," Tony protested. "I've apportioned all ends up—give me credit for that!"

Nora moved. "I shall have to be going in to me—I can't stop any longer."

Her voice was entirely unemotional, and the movement of her hand and of her movements, habergarbed Tony.

"You're not going like that, Nora. Look here—what I was going to say is—if Mr. Sheffield doesn't stay to dine, will you let me get away to-night, and I'll meet me somewhere, just like the other night? It won't matter if we miss the first hour of the show; it's only a revue. I'm slipping away now, but I could wait for you anywhere."

Tony lifted her head. "I'm not coming to the Olympic, Tony; I've told you before, it's not a bit of good your keeping on asking me. I couldn't get away—and if I could, I don't want to."

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GAIETY.—(Ger. 780.) "The Beauty Spot." With Regine Firth. Tonight, at 8. Mat., Wed. and Sat., 2.30.  
GARICK.—"The Great Entertainments." Thurs., Fri., Sat., 2.30. Mat., Wed. and Sat., at 2.30.  
GLOBE.—Marie Lohr in "Love in a Cottage." Every Evening at 8. Wed., Sat., Fri., Tel. Ger. 8721.  
HAYMARKET.—"General Post." Today and Twice Daily, at 8.15. "Chu Chin Choo." To-day, and Twice Daily, at 2.15 and 8.  
KINGSWAY.—"The Yellow Ticket." Gladys Cooper, Allan Aynesworth. Daily, 2.30. Thurs. Sat., 2.30.  
PRINCE OF WALES.—Eggs, 8. Mat., W. Th., S., 2.30. Andre Chariol presents, Flora, by H. Gratian. Comedy, "Nothing but the Truth." New Musical Comedy. Evenings, 8. Mat. and Sat., 2. (Ger. 5400).  
QUEEN'S.—"The Great Entertainments." Every Evening, at 8.30. Matinees, Thurs. and Sat., at 2.30. Pantomime at Monty Brewster. Mat., W. Th., S., 8.30.  
ROYALTY.—Billed. Daily, at 2.30. Dennis Edie, Irby, Hovey, Evening, Thurs. and Sat., at 8.15.  
ST. JAMES'—Daily, 2.30. Evenings, Thurs. Sat., 8. "Valentine." Thurs., Fri., Sat., 2.30.  
ST. MARTIN'S.—(Ger. 3415.) "Sleeping Partners." Every Evening, at 8.30. Mat., Thurs. and Sat., 2.30.  
ST. MICHAEL'S.—"The Great Entertainments." Every Evening, at 8.30. Mat., Thurs. and Sat., 2.30. Pantomime at Monty Brewster. Mat., W. Th., S., 8.30.  
STRAND.—(Mr. A. Aldin's Season.) "The Great Entertainments." Every Evening, at 8.30. Mat., Thurs. and Sat., 2.30. Pantomime at Monty Brewster. Mat., W. Th., S., 8.30.  
VAUDEVILLE.—"The Yellow Ticket." Gladys Cooper, Allan Aynesworth. Daily, 2.30. Thurs. Sat., 2.30.  
LAMBHAR.—Eggs, 8.15. Mat., W. Th., S., 2.15. "The Big Room on Broadway." George Hodge, "The Trap." With Herbert Walling, Miriam Lewis and Co. Pantomime at Monty Brewster. Mat., W. Th., S., 8.30.  
Box of Tricks. Shirley Kellogg, Harry Tate, etc. Ger. 650.  
PALLADIUM.—2.30, 6.10, 8.15. "The Great Entertainments." Every Evening, at 8.30. Mat., Thurs. and Sat., 2.30. Pantomime at Monty Brewster. Mat., W. Th., S., 8.30.  
NOR.—(Mr. A. Aldin's Season.) "The Great Entertainments." Every Evening, at 8.30. Mat., Thurs. and Sat., 2.30. Pantomime at Monty Brewster. Mat., W. Th., S., 8.30.

## PERSONAL.

QUITE alright. Dear. Hoping soon. All love—E. MOTHER little better. Edie boy. Sid "home" gone. SIDNEY—Happy to receive much longed for news, but please, oh please, send address. Best love from Mrs. J. L. K. would like to hear from his mother. Address: Kirby, Baker, Main Street, Moose Jaw, Sask. PULLER—Call or telephone. Dykes and Sons, 24, from Crayne, 8, Wordsworth-road, Wallington, Surrey. VIOLINS purchased by hundreds. Dealers in Musical Instruments. HARR—permanently settled from face with electricity. Ladies only—Florence Wood, 475, Oxford-st, W. 1.



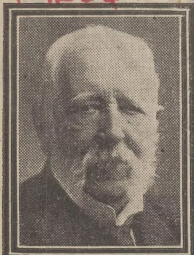
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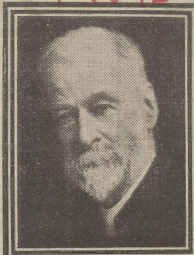
## FOUR PEOPLE IN—

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Sir William Watson, chairman and managing director of the Dublin Steam Packet Company, who has died at seventy-six.



The Rev. Prebendary C. H. Bolton, for twenty-three years vicar of St. Mary's, Lichfield, who died suddenly in his Sunday school.

## MINISTERING ANGELS.



Three Red Cross nurses attending to the wounds of a French soldier in a hospital on the western front.—(French official photograph.)

## A HARDY WARRIOR.



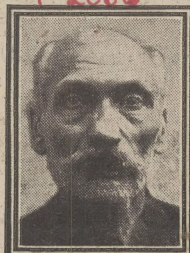
"Dinks" enlisted in Africa in the R.E., landed in Belgium October, 1914, is entitled to one wound stripe and is at present on leave in Italy.

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## COLD WEATHER CLOTHES.



An American gun crew in practice find their new cold weather clothes do not interfere in the least with their freedom of movement.



HOAX.—William Voigt, who hoaxed the officials at Koepnick by donning a captain's uniform and ordering the burgomaster's arrest, is dead.



M.E.—Capt. H. D. Harman, R.F.C., who has been awarded the M.C. He has taken part in thirty-eight night bombing raids.

## ITALY'S WOMEN TREE-CUTTERS.

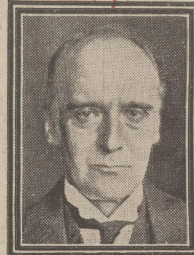


"What are you doing, my pretty maid?" "Cutting down branches, sir," she said. "And the Italian woman is an expert in the task.—(Official.)"

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Mr. H. E. Duke, M.P., Chief Secretary for Ireland, who, it is understood, has been offered the Mastership of the Rolls.



Miss Mary Cecilia Bethune, daughter of Lieut.-Gen. Sir E. C. Bethune, who is doing V.A.D. work at the Chelsea Hospital.

## TO BOMB—OR NOT TO BOMB?



A German military "weather station" in Flanders. Determining from the direction of the wind whether an air raid is advisable.

## AN INFORMAL HAIR-CUT.



One of the pupils at Kneller Hall, Hounslow, is here seen having his locks clipped in a passage surrounded by an admiring crowd.